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# Roto News

“Change to Grow With Rotary”

## Rotarians Walking the Streets!

Rena Kay welcomed us to meeting number 11, where the 4 little piggies went to market, etc. and the 5th went Weeeee all the way home. The meeting was a meet and greet, and those that could were going to walk Chester Ave. and pick up trash.

As a reminder September is Rotary's Education and Literacy Month.

Filling in for Deacon Steve Karcher, Dave Bass lead us in prayer. We need to continue to keep Al Giblin's mom, Susan Leedy, Jann Williams and Gail Burch in our prayers.

Bryan Socci also announced that his wife had a scary situation with her mammogram and had a lump removed, but everything was good.

Johnson Jung was not at the meeting and neglected to find a fill-in, but Gary Stanfill was happy to step in. Also absent were any of our usual song masters, so Bob Parker volunteered Jimmie Soto and he did a great job with God Bless America.

We had no visiting Rotarians, which was a good thing since Bruce Keith was supposed to do the

introductions and he was also absent.

We did have a couple of visitors, Andre Gonzales, who was a guest of Aaron Markovits, and Lourdes Arrubla, who is a guest of the club.

Andre thanked us for all the work we do with the Boys & Girls club, and especially the shirts. He also wanted to let us know about an upcoming fund raiser for Children First in memory of his Father. His father was a teacher at BC, who passed away after a long battle with Guillain-Barre Syndrome. On October 10th there will be a Spaghetti Feast before the BC Football Game. It starts at 4:30 and goes until 7:00. Aaron Markovits has tickets if anyone is interested.

Tony Ansolabehere was given a yellow Rotarian work vest, since he claims he never got one, but the expectation was that he would help with the Chester Ave clean-up after the meeting. (Be careful what you ask for)!

Rotarian birthdays included; Steve Richardson on the 23rd, Brian Socci on the 25th and Tom Burch on the 27th. There was only one spouses birthday, Patty Giordano on the 25th, and only one wedding anniversary, Julie & David Womack, who will be

celebrating 36 years on the 29th.

There were 2 club anniversaries, Jon Lifquist has been in the club 2 years as of Sept. 27th and Jimmie Soto 3 years as of Sept. 28th.

Rena Kay the head table, Bob & Melinda, the greeters, Bill Gresco and Carolyn Jackson, and the reception table Wayne Kress and Jon Lifquist. She reminded us that next week we are DARK, due to district conference. Also, Sandra Larson is looking for volunteers to help with the Valley Fever booth at the conference. If you are available, please reach out to Sandra.

No one had anything to pay the pig for.

The big winner of the 50/50 draw was Terry Schroefer, who walked away with a whole \$8.00.

The Irish blessing, “May the lift of Irish laughter lighten every load, may the mist of Irish magic shorten every road, may you taste the sweetest Pleasures that fortune ere bestowed, and may all your friends remember all the favors you are owed.”

Remember we are Dark Next Friday!

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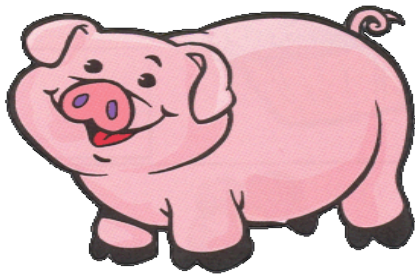
Julie Womack is still looking for volunteers for the Noble School Reading Program District Conference, Oct 2, 3 & 4<sup>th</sup>, in Bakersfield at the Crystal Palace.

Plank Golf Tournament—October 5th

Oct 10th—Williams School Clean-up at 8:00 am.

Oct. 27th—Ethics Team Competition Fundraiser @Chef's Noodle Bar from 6:00—8:00 pm.

Rotary World Peace Conference—January 15th & 16th, at the Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, CA Lean more at: [www.PeaceConference2016.org](http://www.PeaceConference2016.org)



**Coming Soon**

**Rotarian Reading Assignments**

**Birthdays**

Steve Richardson - Sept. 23rd

Brian Sorri—Sept. 25th

Tom Burch—Sept. 27th

**Spouse's Birthdays**

Patty Giordano—Sept. 25th

**Club Anniversaries**

Jon Lifquist—2 years, Sept. 27th

Jimmie Soto—3 years Sept 28th

**Wedding Anniversaries**

Julie & David Womack— 36 years, Sept. 29th

**Rotary Elevator Speech**

“ It’s a leadership organization made up of local business, professional and civic leaders who meet regularly, get to know each other better, form friendships, and through that, are able to get things done in our community and around the world.”

Practice saying this, we should all know what to say if anyone asks us what Rotary is.

**BERC Club Assignments**

	Greeter	Greeter	Flag Salute	Invocation	Visiting	Reception	Reception
Aug. 21st	Stanfill	Swatzell	Sullivan	Urban	Watanabe	Westfahl	Williams
Aug. 28th	Wilson	Womack	Aguirre	Amstutz	Auriemma	Bank	Bass
Sept. 11th	Brown	Burger	Burch	Carpenter	Coffey	Colatruglio	Creott
Sept. 18th	Dierck	Franey	Frank	Gibbs	Giblin	Gill	Giordano
Sept. 25th	Gresco	Jackson	Jung	Karcher	Keith	Kress	Lifquist
Oct. 9th	Markovits	Maxwell	Moxley	Oberg	Parker	Pereyra	Powell
Oct. 16th	Ramsey	Randall	Richardson	Sabin	Schroepfer	Schwartz	Smith
Oct 30th	Sorci	Soto	Stanfill	Swatzell	Sullivan	Urban	Watanabe



Rotarians Hard at work and a few slackers!

# Club Directors & Committees

- I. Club Service, Administration**.....Director: **Steve Karcher**
- Attendance/Front Table.....: Tony Ansolabehere
  - BERC Database & WEB.....: Tony Ansolabehere
  - Roto News Publisher.....: Michele Brown
  - Roto News Photographer.....: Brian Oberg
  - BBQ.....: Steve Karcher/Rena Kay S.
  - Holiday Lunch.....: Melinda Westfahl
  - Charter Night.....: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Gin Fizz.....: Gary Stanfill
  - Venue/Food.....: Steve Karcher
  - Historian.....: Rena Kay Schrader
  - Programs.....: Steve Gibbs/John Wilson
  - Public Relations.....: \_\_\_\_\_
- II. Club Service, Membership**.....Director: **Jimmie Soto**
- Classification.....:Tom Burch
  - Evaluation.....: Wayne Kress
  - Rotary Information.....: Dan Giordano
  - Fireside/Assimilation.....: Jimmie Soto/Rena Kay
  - Membership Development (Master of Fun).....: Steve Richardson
  - Rotarian Magazine.....: Dan Giordano
  - Membership Directory.....: Melinda Westfahl
  - E-mail Blasts.....: Michele Brown
  - Family of Rotary.....:Jenny Dierck/Steve Karcher, Christy S.
- III. Vocational Service**.....Director: **Mike Brazzell**
- Employee Recognition.....: Steve Richardson
  - Business Person Of The Year.....: Mike Brazzell
  - Craft Talks.....: Mike Brazzell
  - Vocational Scholarships.....: Mike Brazzell & Aaron Markovits
  - Officer Of The Year.....: Mike Brazzell
- IV. Community Service-Youth Services**.....Director: **Aaron Markovits / Day Smith**
- East High Interact.....:Tomeka Powell
  - Highland High InterAct.....: Brian Oberg
  - Garces High InterAct.....: Scarlett Sabin
  - OLPH InterAct.....: Scarlett Sabin
  - Joe Alexander Scholarship Foundation Liaison.....: Aaron Markovits
  - RotarAct.....: Aaron Markovits
  - Scholarships.....: Gary Creott & Bill Gresco
  - RYLA.....: Day Smith/Sandi Schwartz
  - Business & Ethics Conference.....: Steve Richardson
  - Four Way Test.....: Aaron M. & Day S.

V. **Community Service-Outreach**.....Director: **Fernando Aguirre**

**Blood Bank Organ Donation** .....:Sandi Schwartz

A. Blood Bank Days

**BGC & Children Outreach**.....: Fernando Aguirre

A. Backpack Project.....: Tom Burch, Christy Swatzell & Fernando

B. Jamison Center.....: Tom Burch

**Environment**

A. Bike Path Maps.....: Terry Schroepfer

B. Rotary Park.....: Ron Biglin, Tom Burch & Jon Lifquist

C. Cleanup Projects.....: Fernando

**Handicap/Poverty/Senior Citizens**.....:

**Other Community Service Outreach**

\*Can Food Drive.....: Christy Swatzell

\*Salvation Army Bell Ringing.....: Michelle Brown, Susan Leedy

\*Youth Financial Literacy.....: Jim Williams & Roy Herrmann

A. Dictionary Project.....:

B. Listen to Readers.....: Julie Womack

\*The Forgotten Initiative.....: Jenny Dierck

**Veterans**

A. Honor Flight.....: Tom Burch

B. Rebuilding Kern Together.....: Fernando Aguirre

VI. **International Service**.....Director: **Amanda Frank**

• Polio Plus.....: Dan Giordano

• Polio Plus Donations.....: Dan Giordano

• International Service Development/Grants.....: Christy Swatzell & Committee

• South of the Boarder/Education.....: Amanda & Sandi Schwartz

• Love Water.....: Amanda & Christine Randall

VII. **BERC Foundation**.....Director: **Dan Giordano**

• Vino Amore Chair.....: Tom Burch & Michelle Brown

• Vino Amore Sponsorships.....: Scott Begin

• Vino Amore Auction Items.....: Jenny Dierck / Dan Urban

• Vino Amore Treasurer.....: Bob Parker

• Vino Amore Tickets.....: Sandi Schwartz / Christine Randall

VIII. **FUN Raisers**

• Shooting Contest.....: \_\_\_\_\_

• Photo Calendar, Note Cards, Post Cards.....: \_\_\_\_\_

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